(c) the fresh steps taken by Government to set up the prisons exclusive for women in all the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) 'Prisons' being a State subject as per entry 4 of the State List in the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, it is for the State Governments to set up prisons for women prisoners managed by the women employees 14 exclusive prisons for women exist in the States of Andhra Pradesh (2), Bihar (1), Kerala (1), Orissa (1), Punjab (1), Rajasthan (1), Sikkim (1), Tamil Nadu (2), Tripura (1), Uttar Pradesh (1) and West Bengal (1) and the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(c) Government of India have started a new scheme for construction of new prisons to reduce over crowding including exclusive prisons for women wherever required depending upon the number of women prisoners and other relevant factors.

Appointment on compassionate grounds in CISF

1557. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Industrial Security Force have any plans for appointment of near relatives of injured personnel on compassionate grounds;

(b) if so, what are the categories of people whose relatives can request for appointment in a suitable position under the compassionate grounds scheme;

(c) how many applications are pending in 2002-2003 for employment of relatives of wounded personnel in this scheme;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the management of CISF is very casual with such requests;

(e) whether replies to such applicants are not given at all; and

(f) the steps proposed to review the functioning of the scheme by CISF?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) As per

instructions contained in the Scheme for compassionate appointment promulgated under DOP&T OM No. 14014/6/94-Estt.(d) dated 9.10.98, dependent family member of a member of the Armed Forces who:—

(a) dies during service; or

(b) is killed in action; or

(c) is medically boarded out and is unfit for civil employment can be considered for appointment in Civil Service on compassionate grounds subject to a maximum of 5% vacancies falling under direct recruitment quota and also fulfilling the eligibility criteria for the post. These guidelines are also being followed in CISF.

(c) As per reports received from CISF, there is no such case of 2002-2003.

(d) Not applicable.

(e) Not applicable.

(f) Not applicable.

Expansion in CISF

1558. SHRI S. M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Industrial Security Force is increasing its strength by more recruitment.

(b) if so, the details of the plan; and

(c) whether there is a proposal to review such a plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) There is no plan for increasing the total strength of CISF at present.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Complaints registered with NFRC from Karnataka

1559. SHRI K. B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of complaints registered during 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 with the National Human Rights Commission from Karnataka.